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TOPIC Flatcars to be Made Available for Shipping Tanks

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Railroad order dated 21 August 1949.

To: German Chief of Railroad Operations, all railroad offices and train dispatch offices 1 thru 7.

"Select all empty flatcars of a load capacity of thirty tons and more and prepare them for transit operations. Put them in reserve, repair those which are damaged and put them likewise in reserve."

(s) MAZURIN, Capt.

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Comment: Capt. MAZURIN is assigned to the staff of the Soviet Military Plenipotentiary at the BERLIN Railroad District Administration. This order shows that the Soviets intend to carry through, in the foreseeable future, transit shipments of tanks or that they at least want to have all available flatcars ready for such shipments as a precautionary measure. It is to be assumed that these cars will be included in the number of 7,000 railroad cars to be made available for the Soviets *. The above transit shipments may either go through Poland or through Czechoslovakia.

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